

Highway Administration; Marc Levitan of the National Institute of Standards and Technology; and Janet Woodcock of the Food and Drug Administration.

I thank them for their exceptional service to the American people.

Just 7 percent of America's Federal workers are under the age of 30. I join President Biden in urging young Americans to consider careers in public service. We need your talents, your energy, your ideas, and your idealism to ensure that America remains prosperous, secure, and a beacon of liberty for all humanity.

I hope we can all agree that we want the best and brightest to serve. These individuals and their fellow honorees represent the best our Federal workforce has to offer. But we should be grateful for all public servants who are in every State and Territory of our country and who go to work each day determined to make a positive difference for their fellow Americans. We should be grateful all year long.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING THE BAKERY ON BROADWAY

• Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize The Bakery on Broadway of Audubon, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

In 2020, Kate Hargens founded The Bakery on Broadway to revitalize downtown Audubon. Kate grew up in California and spent several years working as a food scientist before moving to the rural Iowa town. She started her career as a baker who made custom cakes in her family home before purchasing a local coffee shop. The Bakery on Broadway started with Kate and one full-time employee and now employs 15 people. The business serves fresh pastries made daily, custom cakes, smoothies, and coffees, in addition to featuring a breakfast and lunch menu that brings "West Coast"-inspired foods to Iowa.

The Bakery on Broadway also serves as an important community space in Audubon. It hosts seasonal "What's Happening in Audubon" events, which is a weekly public forum held on Tuesdays in the late fall and early spring. The events bring the community together to discuss a broad range of topics important to the area.

The Bakery on Broadway is involved in the Iowa art community as well. They have a retail space in the bakery that sells art from Iowa artists. Since early 2023, they have hosted the Art on Broadway event that showcases artwork customers can purchase. The bakery also recently unveiled a mural on the newly renovated side of their build-

ing painted by Des Moines artist Jenna Brownlee.

Kate Hargens is actively involved in the Audubon community. Kate was instrumental in founding the nonprofit Children's Nest Childcare Center and previously served as the president. She also served on the fundraising committee for the Audubon Rec Center and was on the board of the Rose Theater. In 2016, Kate won the Citizen of the Year Award from the Audubon Chamber of Commerce for her work in the community. The Bakery on Broadway was praised by Travel Iowa and the Des Moines Register for their cuisine. In May 2023, the business was one featured on ABC affiliate KETV on their "Hit the Road, Jack, Audubon, Iowa" segment. Due to Kate and the team's hard work, The Bakery on Broadway celebrated its fourth business anniversary in 2024.

The Bakery on Broadway's commitment to providing high-quality food, coffee, and community events in Audubon is clear. I want to congratulate Kate Hargens and the entire team at The Bakery on Broadway for their continued dedication to the Audubon community. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success in Iowa.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Kelly, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

In executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 272. An act to amend title 31, United States Code, to authorize transportation for Government astronauts returning from space between their residence and various locations, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6972. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to require an Executive agency whose head is a member of the National Security Council to notify the Executive Office of the President, the Comptroller General of the United States, and congressional leadership of such head becoming medically incapacitated within 24 hours, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7219. An act to ensure that Federal agencies rely on the best reasonably available scientific, technical, demographic, economic, and statistical information and evidence to develop, issue or inform the public of the nature and bases of Federal agency rules and guidance, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7524. An act to amend title 40, United States Code, to require the submission of reports on certain information technology services funds to Congress before expenditures may be made, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7525. An act to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to issue guidance to agencies requiring special districts to be recognized as local government for the purpose of Federal financial assistance determinations.

H.R. 7527. An act to direct the United States Postal Service to issue regulations requiring Postal Service employees and contractors to report to the Postal Service traffic crashes involving vehicles carrying mail that result in injury or death, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7528. An act to amend section 206 of the E-Government Act of 2002 to improve the integrity and management of mass comments and computergenerated comments in the regulatory review process, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 34. Concurrent resolution establishing the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies for the inauguration of the President-elect and Vice President-elect of the United States on January 20, 2025.

S. Con. Res. 35. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the rotunda and Emancipation Hall of the Capitol by the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies in connection with the proceedings and ceremonies conducted for the inauguration of the President-elect and the Vice President-elect of the United States.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill with amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 2073. An act to amend title 31, United States Code, to require agencies to include a list of outdated or duplicative reporting requirements in annual budget justifications, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 272. An act to amend title 31, United States Code, to authorize transportation for Government astronauts returning from space between their residence and various locations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-4383. A communication from the Legal Counsel, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Enforcement Guidance on Harassment in the Workplace" (RIN3046-ZA02) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 29, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4384. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Retirement Security Rule: Definition of an Investment Advice Fiduciary" (RIN1210-AC02) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4385. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs of Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance" (RIN1870-AA16) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 2, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4386. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Office for Civil Rights, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance" (RIN0945-AA15) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4387. A communication from the Senior Regulatory and Policy Coordinator, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Control of Communicable Diseases; Foreign Quarantine Importation of Dogs and Cats" (RIN0920-AA82) received in the Office

of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4388. A communication from the Senior Policy and Regulatory Coordinator, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Devices; Laboratory Developed Tests" (RIN0910-AI85) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4389. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Prevention and Reduction of Underage Drinking"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4390. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Definition of 'Employer'—Association Health Plans" (RIN1210-AC16) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 30, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4391. A communication from the Acting Director, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defining and Delimiting the Exemptions for Executive, Administrative, Professional, Outside Sales, and Computer Employees" (RIN1235-AA39) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 26, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4392. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Prohibited Transaction Exemption 2020-02" (RIN1210-ZA32) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4393. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Prohibited Transaction Exemptions 75-1, 77-4, 80-83, 83-1, and 86-128" (RIN1210-ZA34) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4394. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Prohibited Transaction Exemption 84-24" (RIN1210-ZA33) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4395. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Commissioner, Department of Education, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4396. A communication from the Supervisory Workforce Analyst, Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Improving Protections for Workers in Temporary Agricultural Employment in the United States" (RIN1205-AC12) received during adjournment of the

Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 29, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4397. A communication from the Regulatory Policy Analyst, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Food Additives Permitted in Feed and Drinking Water of Animals; Condensed, Extracted Glutamic Acid Fermentation Product" (Docket No. FDA-2024-F-1850) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4398. A communication from the Regulatory Policy Analyst, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards for the Growing, Harvesting, Packing, and Holding of Produce for Human Consumption Relating to Agricultural Water" (RIN0910-AI49) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 1, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4399. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Frozen Cherry Pie; Revocation of a Standard of Identity and a Standard of Quality" (RIN0910-AI17) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4400. A communication from the Director of the Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Lowering Miners' Exposure to Respirable Crystalline Silica and Improving Respiratory Protection" (RIN1219-AB36) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 22, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4401. A communication from the Senior Policy and Regulatory Coordinator, Office for Civil Rights, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Health and Human Services Grants Regulation" (RIN0945-AA19) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 23, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4402. A communication from the Senior Policy and Regulatory Coordinator, Office for Civil Rights, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nondiscrimination in Health Programs and Activities" (RIN0945-AA17) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 23, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4403. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Director, Institute for Education Sciences, Department of Education, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 29, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4404. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Augustus F. Hawkins Centers of Excellence Program" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 23, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.